

History

The Nevada Association of Conservation Districts (NvACD) was established in the late 1950's, and the State Conservation Commission and the Division of Conservation Districts were established in 1973. Nevada Administrative Code Section 548 and Nevada Revised Statutes Section 548 established the State Conservation Commission to provide leadership to conservation districts as well as administer the law.

In 1995, district funding became a part of the Governor's approved budget with each active district receiving \$3,400. Through the efforts of the association, the commission, district supervisors and district employees, funding was increased to \$5,000 per district in 1999 by the state legislature. ***In 2006, conservation districts matched the state funding at an amazing level of 27:1.***

The current network of 28 districts is the logical vehicle to provide local leadership for natural resource conservation. Districts are firm supporters of the locally-lead process to develop local solutions dealing with soil and water conservation, wildlife and their habitat, noxious weeds, education, and urban conservation issues.

Conservation District Programs & Services:

- Air and Water quality planning and improvement
- Watershed assessment & planning
- Streambank and river restoration
- Noxious Weed Control programs
- Wildlife habitat enhancement
- Solutions for local conservation problems
- Conservation Education programs for schools and the general public
- Conservation planning assistance for private landowners
- Resource policy planning and the encouragement of public involvement in planning
- Urban runoff prevention methods for contractors and developers
- Public information and education
- Many other services



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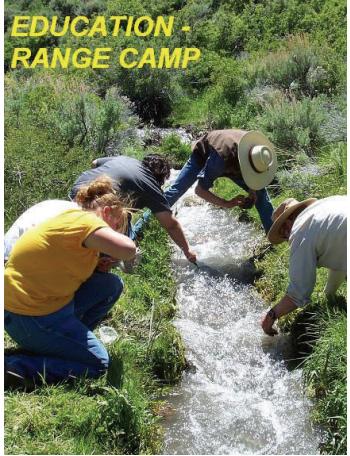
Nevada Conservation Districts

**"A grassroots delivery system
putting conservation on the
ground"**

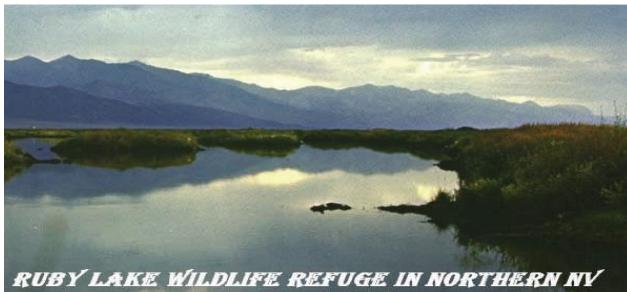
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Conservation Districts in cooperation
with the Nevada Division of
Conservation Districts and the State
Conservation Commission represent
and support Nevada's Conservation
Districts on a state and national level
in achieving their goals of conserving
and improving Nevada's natural
resources.***



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Conservation districts possess perhaps the most unique ability of any public or private entity: *the ability to work across public and private land boundaries.* Districts are also able to, and often do, work in cooperation with other conservation districts to address problems on a watershed basis. For this reason, many federal and state agencies look to conservation districts to address and implement natural resource projects.



Role: Conservation Districts in Nevada make up the state's only grassroots forum for addressing local conservation issues. They are a primary point for coordination of local, state, and federal efforts to protect natural resources.

Partnerships: Districts work with community groups, land owners, governmental agencies, and organizations to encourage Best Management Practices in conservation. Districts serve Nevadans by providing technical, financial, and educational assistance to wisely use and conserve our

Regulatory Oversight: The State Conservation Commission consists of seven Governor appointed members, and a representative from the Nevada Department of Agriculture and the University of Nevada Reno. The commission is the regulatory body established in NAC 548 and NRS 548. The SCC mission is to provide leadership with natural resource conservation issues for the citizens of the state of Nevada, by facilitating conservation district goals and public and private partnerships, dispensing conservation funds, advising and overseeing conservation districts, and administering NRS.

